

**Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on January 23rd, AD 2014 at 6:30 o'clock PM in the Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Members present: Charles N. Appleton, Jr., Fred M Bodington, III and Robert L. Mushen. Absent at this time: Paul J. Golembeske and Gary S. Mataronas.**

**Two individuals were interviewed for the position of Tree Warden.**

**At 6:58 PM the Town Council took a brief recess before beginning the remaining agenda items. Present at this time: Charles N. Appleton, Jr., Fred M. Bodington, III, Paul J. Golembeske and Robert L. Mushen. Absent: Gary S. Mataronas. Also present: Tom Dunn, Business Manager and Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor.**

**At 7:00 PM the Council President called for a Pledge to the Flag.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To approve, as written the January 9, 2014 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**Announcement:**

**1. The Council President suggest a meeting and workshop be scheduled next week to handle the Tree Warden appointment and the 5 yr. Salt Contract with the State of RI, Dept. of Transportation, as well**

**as review budget appropriations under the Councils jurisdiction for FY15.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To schedule a meeting and workshop on January 30, 2014 at 8 am to appoint a Tree Warden, authorize the Salt Contract with the State of RI Dept. of Transportation and begin budget appropriation deliberations for the FY15 budget.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file the Fire Department Head Reports for November and December 2013.**

**Councilor Mushen wanted to make note that our mutual response calls are higher, but noting specifically that we receive twice as many mutual response calls as we give out. He suggests that a review of the Town's options for handling this overtime be conducted to determine if we are operating in the best overall interest of the town acknowledging that we may already be using the appropriate form of operating procedure.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To authorize the payment of \$32,561.04 to**

**Durkee Brown Viveiros Werenfels Architects to be charged the Bond Anticipation Note for the School Renovation Project under BAN Disbursement #21.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To authorize Change Order #9 totaling \$141,810.48 for the Wilbur-McMahon School Renovation Project.**

**Robert Goff, Tax Assessor reported that the Assessor's Office has contacted the four (4) property owners listed on the most recent Abatement List, but they have not received replies as of this date. With no further information the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To continue until February 6, 2014 an Abatement List submitted at the January 9, 2014 Council meeting.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To approve, conditionally a request to place a Memorial Tree in Memory of Deborah Bodington on the Public Safety Complex Lot contingent upon the property abutters concerns being satisfied and that the planting comes at no cost to the town.**

**It was noted that a meeting and budget workshop is scheduled for January 30, 2014. The Council President noted that in FY15 the Town will likely need to seek relief from the state mandated tax levy cap. Several other factors such as pension contributions, healthcare costs, potential Charter changes and pending grant applications will also factor into FY15 budget considerations.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To place on file the consent calendar as follows:**

- 1. Copy of a resolution adopted by the Exeter Town Council relating to Newport Pell Bridge Safety. (This matter has been heard previously)**
- 2. Letter from the Cardiac Coordinator of Lifespan and the Wilbur-McMahon School announcing a recent acquisition of an Automated External Defibrillator as part of a grant program for the School.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: \$40,345.71**

**Richard S Humphrey - Legal Services \$1,812.50**

**International Salt - Highway    \$2,839.91**

**Paychex of New York - Treasurer    \$16.04**

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**Effluent Technologies - Wastewater Treatment Facility    \$1,302.50**

**ACS - RI Historical Records Trust Funds    \$1,299.00**

**Poland Spring - Town Hall    \$14.28**

**Poland Spring - Maintenance    \$5.00**

**Verizon Wireless - Maintenance    \$33.02**

**Verizon Wireless - Maintenance    \$31.54**

**Verizon Wireless - Transfer Station    \$30.17**

**Verizon Wireless - Highway    \$58.91**

**Madden Electric - Transfer Station    \$479.91**

**Hague, Sahady & Co. - Auditors    \$5,817.00**

**JP Cooke Co. - Dog licenses (Town Clerk)    \$76.85**

**Boss & Fisher - Capital Fund    \$4,052.80**

**Andrew Cavanagh - Snow removal    \$992.00**

**Petro - gasoline    \$3,638.74**

**Cox Comm. - 32 Commons    \$29.28**

**United Site Services - Transfer Station    \$115.00**

**Nationalgrid - Town Dock    \$33.75**

**Nationalgrid - Cell Tower    \$195.16**

**Nationalgrid - Adamsville Street Lights    \$99.71**

**Nationalgrid - Town Hall    \$205.66**

**Nationalgrid - IOOF    \$21.96**

**Nationalgrid - 32 Commons    \$20.58**

**Nationalgrid - Peckham Lot    \$22.04**

**Nationalgrid - Street Lights    \$58.42**

**Allied Waste - Transfer Station    \$7,677.56**

**Direct Energy - Street Lights    \$65.88**

**Direct Energy - 32 commons    \$13.11**

**Direct Energy - Transfer Station    \$62.31**

**Direct Energy - Public Safety Complex    \$648.10**

**Direct Energy - Town Dock    \$31.48**

**Direct Energy - Cell Tower    \$256.62**

**Direct Energy - Adamsville Street Lights    \$123.50**

**Direct Energy - Town Hall    \$271.29**

**Direct Energy - IOOF    \$15.06**

**Direct Energy - Peckham Lot    \$15.16**

**Fisher Bus Inc - Senior Busing    \$300.00**

**Fall River Modern Printing - Transfer Station    \$390.00**

**Ballard Mack Sales & Service Inc. - Highway    \$224.42**

**JR Tree & Land Co. - Snow removal    \$793.50**

**Ocean State Truck & Diesel - Fire Dept.    \$620.74**

**Fire Chiefs' Assoc. of MA - Fire Dept.    \$275.00**

**Southcoast Hospitals Group - Fire Dept.    \$1.63**

**Verizon Wireless - Fire Dept.    \$30.17**

**Verizon Wireless - Fire Dept.    \$40.05**

**Verizon Wireless - Fire Dept.    \$65.12**

**Vic's Car Wash - Fire Dept.    \$9.50**

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**KTR Maintenance & Supply LLC - Fire Dept.    \$96.75**

**Cox Comm. - Fire Dept. \$159.83**  
**Firematic Supply Co - Fire Dept. \$508.59**  
**Home Depot - Fire Dept. \$194.25**  
**Griggs & Browne Co - Fire Dept. \$50.00**  
**Boundtree Medical - Fire Dept. \$651.41 \$2,712.54**  
**NASA - Assessors \$105.00**  
**RI Assoc. of Assessors - Assessors \$100.00**  
**Home Depot - Maintenance \$27.91**  
**Richard S Humphrey - Legal Services \$2,740.50**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second by Councilor Appleton, voting in favor (Appleton, Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:22 PM.**

**Carol A Wordell, Town Clerk**